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"glass plate" as recited in claim 1. Although Mizuno mentions the use of glass during the sealing process, it is in the context of coating the sealing material 15 (see column 6, lines 34-40), and not as a "glass plate" as recited in claim 1.

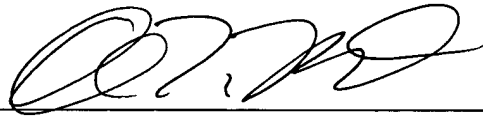
Thus, Mizuno fails to teach or suggest the limitations of claim 1. Accordingly, claim 1 and dependent claims 2-7 should be allowed.

Consequently, the applicants respectfully request withdrawal of the 35 U.S.C. § 102(e) rejection of claims 1-7.

Applicant asks that all claims be allowed. Please apply any charges or credits to Deposit Account No. 06-1050.

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